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Chief Executive Officer

September 4, 2007

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: CHANGES IN WORK FOR  
PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS  
COMPTON, GARDENA, HAWTHORNE, ROSEWOOD IN THE VICINITY OF  
CARSON, AND LANCASTER  
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 2 AND 5)  
(3 VOTES)**

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

Find that the requested changes in work have no significant effect on the environment and approve the increased contract amounts and changes for the following construction contracts:

- Project ID No. RDC0013675 - Central Avenue, et al., to resurface pavement; reconstruct curb, gutter, sidewalk, driveways, cross gutters, and bus pads; and plant trees, Cities of Compton, Gardena, Hawthorne, and Rosewood in the vicinity of Carson (2), All American Asphalt, for changes required to relocate traffic equipment that interferes with proposed wheelchair ramps, with an increase in the contract amount of \$40,000.00
- Project ID No. RDC0013803 - Guardrail Replacement Project, to replace guardrail, vicinity of Lancaster (5), Southland Construction, for changes required to account for additions in bid quantities, unmarked utilities, and other guardrail portions in need of replacement or relocation, with an increase in the contract amount of \$24,200.00.

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### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The purpose of the recommended action is to obtain Board approval for changes in public works contracts in support of the timely completion of the projects while avoiding delays and the potential for claims. The descriptions of the changes, estimated costs, and the necessary time extensions are listed in the attachment for each contract.

The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Attached for your authorization are changes in work in excess of his delegated limits, which are required to complete Project ID Nos. RDC0013675 and RDC0013803.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs that we provide Service Excellence (Goal 1) and Community Services (Goal 6). Approval of these changes will ensure timely completion of work.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

These changes in work will have no impact to the County General Fund.

The estimated change order amounts for these contracts are \$40,000.00 and \$24,200.00, respectively.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the requested changes. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes, together with contract cost summaries, are included in the attachments.

If these changes in work are not approved, contract completion will be delayed and increased costs incurred.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

Each of the subject contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The changes in work as described above and in the attachments do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

Each contract provides that the contractor be compensated for the work resulting from changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs are based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the costs of the changes are included in the attachments.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Approval of the requested changes by your Board will ensure the timely completion of work under each of the respective contracts.

### **CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,



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Chief Executive Officer

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Attachments (2)

c: County Counsel  
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

CHANGE IN WORK (AUTHORIZE)  
September 4, 2007

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0013675, CENTRAL AVENUE, ET AL. (Cities of Compton, Gardena, Hawthorne, and Rosewood in the vicinity of Carson), Supervisorial District 2, Contractor: All American Asphalt

Project Description:

Resurfacing of roadway pavement, reconstruction of curb and gutter, sidewalk, driveways, alley intersections and cross gutters; construction of curb ramps and bus pads; removal of trees, root pruning, and planting of parkway trees; and other appurtenant work.

Change in Work:

Relocate Traffic Signal Conduit	\$40,000.00
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Description of Change:

To construct the required wheelchair ramps at some intersections, it will be necessary to relocate portions of existing traffic signal conduits and pull boxes. This work is not shown on the plans.

The cost for this item will be based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

Twenty additional working days will be required because of this change.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$5,177,197.00
Change in work to be authorized	<u>40,000.00</u>
Revised contract amount	<u>\$5,217,197.00</u>

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CHANGE IN WORK (AUTHORIZE)  
September 4, 2007

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0013803, GUARDRAIL REPLACEMENT PROJECT (in the vicinity of Lancaster), Supervisorial District 5, Contractor: Southland Construction

Project Description:

Removal of existing guardrail, installation of new guardrail, and other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	\$10,000.00
(2) Hand Dig and Replace and Relocate Guardrail	<u>14,200.00</u>
Total	<u>\$24,200.00</u>

Description of changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) It will be necessary to compensate the contractor to hand dig around existing utilities not shown on the plans and remove other buried obstructions. Also, additional portions of guardrail are deteriorated and will be replaced and other portions will be relocated to provide driveway access.

The costs for Item 1 will be based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 2 was negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

Eleven additional working days will be required because of these changes.

Revised Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$222,950.00
Changes in work to be authorized	<u>24,200.00</u>
Revised contract amount	<u>\$247,150.00</u>

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